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POTASH REPORT SUMMARY
(Short Tons K_2O)

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	CANADIAN PRODUCERS			UNITED STATES PRODUCERS			TOTAL CANADIAN & U.S. PRODUCERS		
	1985	1984	Change %	1985	1984	Change %	1985	1984	Change %
Beginning Inventory	1,700,814	949,646	+79.1%	349,310	434,338	-19.6%	2,050,124	1,383,984	+48.1%
(+) Production	709,838	737,670	- 3.8%	123,987	138,773	-10.7%	833,825	876,443	- 4.9%
(-) Ending Inventory	1,801,124	1,037,389	+73.6%	322,694	434,282	-25.7%	2,123,818	1,471,671	+44.3%
(=) Total Disappearance	609,528	649,927	- 6.2%	150,603	138,829	+ 8.5%	760,131	788,756	- 3.6%
(-) Exports	153,341	250,693	-38.8%	76,600	32,378	+136.6%	229,941	283,071	-18.8%
(=) Disappearance-Canada & United States	456,187	399,234	+14.3%	74,003	106,451	-30.5%	530,190	505,685	+ 4.8%

SIX MONTHS (JULY-JANUARY) OF THE FERTILIZER YEAR

	CANADIAN PRODUCERS			UNITED STATES PRODUCERS			TOTAL CANADIAN & U.S. PRODUCERS		
	1984-85	1983-84	Change %	1984-85	1983-84	Change %	1984-85	1983-84	Change %
Beginning Inventory	1,825,491	1,646,812	+10.8%	305,561	461,906	-33.8%	2,131,052	2,108,718	+ 1.1%
(+) Production	4,691,757	4,065,822	+15.4%	938,762	877,494	+ 7.0%	5,630,519	4,943,316	+13.9%
(-) Ending Inventory	1,801,124	1,037,389	+73.6%	322,694	434,282	-25.7%	2,123,818	1,471,671	+44.3%
(=) Total Disappearance	4,716,124	4,675,245	+ 0.9%	921,629	905,118	+ 1.8%	5,637,753	5,580,363	+ 1.0%
(-) Exports	1,515,576	1,602,991	- 5.5%	353,220	253,826	+39.2%	1,868,796	1,856,817	+ 0.6%
(=) Disappearance-Canada & United States	3,200,548	3,072,254	+ 4.2%	568,409	651,292	-12.7%	3,768,957	3,723,546	+ 1.2%

MONTH-END INVENTORIES - CANADIAN & U.S. PRODUCERS
(1000 Short Tons K_2O)

Fertilizer Year	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE
1984-85	2046	1563	1561	1895	2097	2050	2124					
1983-84	2012	1521	1362	1235	1258	1384	1472	1555	1792	1965	1943	2131

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	PRODUCTION K_2O		ENDING INVENTORY K_2O JANUARY 31				DISAPPEARANCE K_2O	
	1985 JAN	1984	MINE SITE	OFF SITE	1985	1984	1985 JAN	1984
Spec. Std. Muriate	29,600	54,173	16,012	20,580	36,592	79,809	11,456	18,573
Standard Muriate	236,442	206,370	304,831	244,042	548,873	340,161	155,835	221,283
Chemical Muriate	11,714	9,968	5,540	2,608	8,148	1,821	9,256	10,408
Coarse Muriate	231,327	287,051	276,742	441,187	717,929	457,660	237,982	270,056
Granular Muriate	218,598	228,627	305,758	257,655	563,413	335,391	232,976	166,675
Soluble Muriate	82,724	63,815	90,075	73,967	164,042	134,668	79,842	80,848
Sulphates	23,420	26,439	65,607	19,214	84,821	122,161	32,784	20,913
Total	833,825	876,443	1,064,565	1,059,253	2,123,818	1,471,671	760,131	788,756

	AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				NON-AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				TOTAL SALES K_2O AG & NON-AG	
	U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS			
	1985 JAN	1984	1985 JAN	1984	1985 JAN	1984	1985 JAN	1984	1985 JAN	1984
Spec. Std. Muriate	140	108	24,738	5,814	-	-	-	-	24,878	5,922
Standard Muriate	41,899	39,408	120,402	203,873	10,448	10,586	843	545	173,592	254,412
Chemical Muriate	-	-	-	-	10,777	10,341	449	25	11,226	10,366
Coarse Muriate	282,968	269,725	7,828	34,804	-	-	-	-	290,796	304,529
Granular Muriate	191,677	152,463	49,472	20,779	-	-	-	-	241,149	173,242
Soluble Muriate	57,764	57,284	7,372	9,815	14,794	9,576	4,477	3,322	84,407	79,997
Sulphates	17,019	16,004	14,360	4,094	153	403	-	-	31,532	20,501
Total	591,467	534,992	224,172	279,179	36,172	30,906	5,769	3,892	857,580	848,969

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	1985 JAN	1984	MINE SITE	OFF SITE	1985	1984	1985 JAN	1984
Spec. Std. Muriate	29,600	54,173	16,012	20,580	36,592	79,809	11,456	18,573
Standard Muriate	182,005	170,284	242,154	228,839	470,993	191,290	79,304	169,080
Chemical Muriate	8,296	6,433	2,657	2,608	5,265	1,036	5,917	7,116
Coarse Muriate	220,478	265,948	233,461	423,078	656,539	380,667	233,193	252,457
Granular Muriate	190,930	180,097	233,607	238,042	471,649	250,237	205,074	125,500
Soluble Muriate	78,529	60,735	86,135	73,951	160,086	134,350	74,584	77,201
Total	709,838	737,670	814,026	987,098	1,801,124	1,037,389	609,528	649,927

	AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				NON-AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				TOTAL SALES K_2O AG & NON-AG	
	U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS			
	1985 JAN	1984	1985 JAN	1984	1985 JAN	1984	1985 JAN	1984	1985 JAN	1984
Spc. Std. Muriate	140	108	24,738	5,814	-	-	-	-	24,878	5,922
Standard Muriate	27,114	24,882	84,743	179,879	2,329	2,598	-	-	114,186	207,359
Chemical Muriate	-	-	-	-	7,786	7,049	101	25	7,887	7,074
Coarse Muriate	278,657	252,582	6,220	34,804	-	-	-	-	284,877	287,386
Granular Muriate	169,191	114,444	25,690	17,034	-	-	-	-	194,881	131,478
Soluble Muriate	56,907	55,558	7,372	9,815	10,394	7,667	4,477	3,322	79,150	76,362
Total	532,009	447,574	148,763	247,346	20,509	17,314	4,578	3,347	705,859	715,581

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	PRODUCTION K_2O		ENDING INVENTORY K_2O JANUARY 31				DISAPPEARANCE K_2O	
	1985 JAN	1984	MINE SITE	OFF SITE	1985	1984	1985 JAN	1984
Standard Muriate	54,437	36,086	62,677	15,203	77,880	148,871	76,531	52,203
Chemical Muriate	3,418	3,535	2,883	-	2,883	785	3,339	3,292
Coarse Muriate	10,849	21,103	43,281	18,109	61,390	76,993	4,789	17,599
Granular Muriate	27,668	48,530	72,151	19,613	91,764	85,154	27,902	41,175
Soluble Muriate	4,195	3,080	3,940	16	3,956	318	5,258	3,647
Sulphates	23,420	26,439	65,607	19,214	84,821	122,161	32,784	20,913
Total	123,987	138,773	250,539	72,155	322,694	434,282	150,603	138,829

	AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				NON-AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				TOTAL SALES K_2O AG & NON-AG	
	U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS			
	1985 JAN	1984	1985 JAN	1984	1985 JAN	1984	1985 JAN	1984	1985 JAN	1984
Standard Muriate	14,785	14,526	35,659	23,994	8,119	7,988	843	545	59,406	47,053
Chemical Muriate	-	-	-	-	2,991	3,292	348	-	3,339	3,292
Coarse Muriate	4,311	17,143	1,608	-	-	-	-	-	5,919	17,143
Granular Muriate	22,486	38,019	23,782	3,745	-	-	-	-	46,268	41,764
Soluble Muriate	857	1,726	-	-	4,400	1,909	-	-	5,257	3,635
Sulphates	17,019	16,004	14,360	4,094	153	403	-	-	31,532	20,501
Total	59,458	87,418	75,409	31,833	15,663	13,592	1,191	545	151,721	133,388